HOUSE No. 4918

Section 251 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2005 (see House, No. 4850), which had been returned by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message, see Attachment S of House, No. 4901). June 28, 2004.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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An Act directing the department of conservation and recreation to repair certain culverts.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to repair forthwith certain culverts, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of conservation and recreation shall expend or reimburse necessary funds to repair and replace failed, failing and damaged culverts in the Sales Creek drainage channel of the cities of Revere and Boston, which are owned by said department and which pose potential public health emergencies by preventing adequate drainage of a

major watershed, and to repair and restore the damaged surfaces in the area surrounding the collapsed or undermined culverts that pose potential public safety emergencies due to unstable ground and surface areas under Tomasello Road and other areas, roadways and drives.

SECTION 2. This act shall take as of July 1, 2004.